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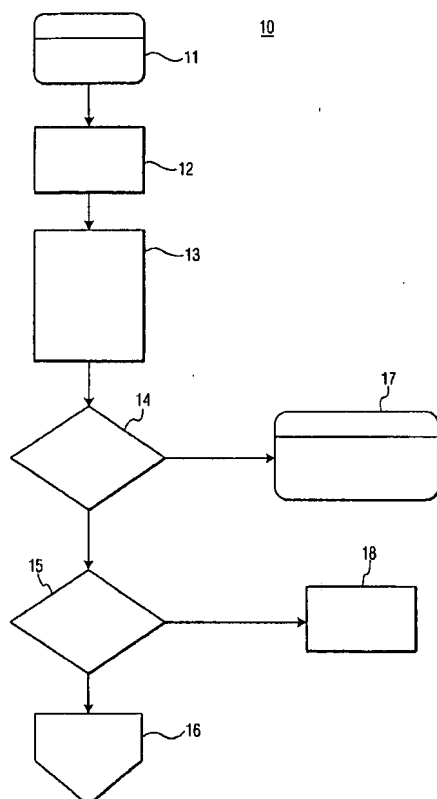
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(54) Title: **CLINICAL DECISION SUPPORT SYSTEM FOR GUIDELINE SELECTION AND KNOWLEDGE/LOCATION INDICATION WITH THE GUIDELINE**



(57) Abstract: A clinical decision support system (30) displays a patient treatment guideline (20) for a given patient in response to a query from a medical practitioner along with an indicator (21) as to what state in the patient treatment guideline (20) the current patient is. According to one aspect of the present invention, an exemplary embodiment of a method (40) for interacting with a medical record of a patient includes: entering a patient identification (43) into a user interface (33) along with a care provider identification; selecting a patient treatment guideline (45) based on the entered information; and displaying the patient treatment guideline (46) on the user interface (33) along with an indicator (21) identifying a current point in the patient treatment guideline (20). An exemplary embodiment of an apparatus (30) for interacting with a medical record of a patient includes storage (32), a user interface (33) and a processor (31). The storage (32) stores one or more patient treatment guidelines (20). The user interface (33) accepts a command from a user identifying a patient and context information and displays a selected patient treatment guideline (20) from among the one or more patient treatment guidelines (20). The processor (31) searches the storage (32) for the selected patient guideline (20) that matches the identified patient and the context information.

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